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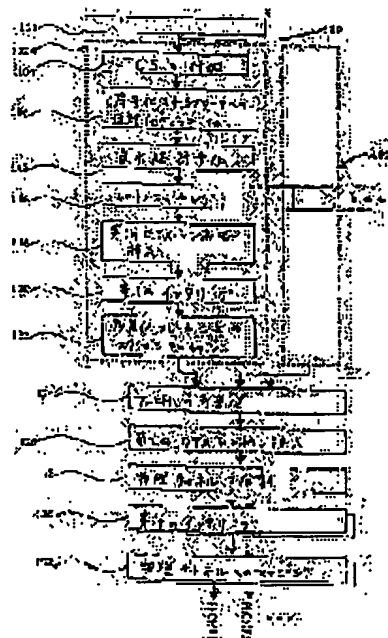
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## (54) MULTIPLEXING METHOD FOR TRANSPORT CHANNELS

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a method for multiplexing several transport channels in a composite channel at a flexible position.

SOLUTION: Each transport channel is processed by following a specific processing procedure and has a variable bit rate represented by the transport format. Each processing procedure includes a step wherein rate matching is carried out as a function of a rate matching pattern. The rate matching pattern is defined by one set of rate matching pattern parameters. For each transport channel, a step for finding desirable size variation between a block of object symbols of rate matching and a block of symbols of the output of the processing procedure is provided. By each processing procedure, the set of rate matching pattern parameters is found. This is found irrelevantly to a single transport format which is considered and the desirable size variation is obtained as to each transport format.



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